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#### **AEROSOL CANS**

The **County HHW Facility** accepts **all** types of full or partially full aerosol cans for recycling (call 760-7600-option 3 for an appointment). Only **empty** aerosol cans **(except paint or pesticide cans--trash)** can be placed in the **recycling bin.** 



## APPLIANCES CONTAINING FREON (Refrigerators, Freezers, Dehumidifiers & Air Conditioners)

Call your refuse hauler – there may be a charge for service (usually between \$30 and \$50).

#### WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH OLD APPLIANCES?

**Suburban Towns** – contact town or hauler, some haulers will pickup for free but usual charge is around \$35.00.

**City** – refrigerator, freezers (doors removed) and other appliances may be placed between sidewalk and curb on their pickup day with space in front of curb clear.

## **ASBESTOS**

Asbestos fibers that become airborne (friable) when disturbed are dangerous if inhaled—disposal must be done professionally. Call one of several contractors listed in the phone book under "Asbestos Removal and Abatement Services."

#### WHAT SHOULD BE DONE WITH NON-FRIABLE ASBESTOS?

Again, judgements whether asbestos waste poses a health hazard is best left to professionals. Residents may take non-friable asbestos (shingles, flooring, etc.) to **Mill Seat Landfill**—call first at 494-3000. Questions pertaining to health issues contact Health Dept. at 274-6000.

#### **AUTOMOTIVE CARE ITEMS**

## **CAR BATTERIES**

Automotive batteries (lead acid batteries) go back to retailers and service stations. State law requires retailers to accept free of charge, up to two used batteries per month from any individual. Vehicle batteries can also be taken to most town DPW's (call town first) or scrap yards. *If acid spills on any material – neutralize with baking soda.* 

#### **USED MOTOR OIL**

Take used motor oil to a retailer or service stations where oil is changed. State law requires them to take 5 gallons per day, per person free of charge. Empty oil containers are not recyclable and should be placed in the regular trash because of the oil residue inside the container. Motor oil mixed with gasoline is accepted at the **HHW Facility**.

# ANTIFREEZE, BRAKE FLUID, TRANSMISSION FLUID

These automotive fluids may be brought to the **Household Hazardous Waste Facility**—760-7600 (option 3).

#### **BATTERIES**

#### **ALKALINE BATTERIES (Household batteries)**

Alkaline or zinc batteries can be disposed of in the trash.

## **RECHARGEABLE BATTERIES**

Nickel-Cadmium (Ni-Cad) and Lithium Ion can be brought to the **County HHW Facility**. Call 760-7600 (option 3) for an appointment (also can be recycled at **Radio Shack**).



## **BUTTON BATTERIES**

Some small button-shaped batteries from cameras, computers and hearing aids contain mercury—a hazardous material that should not be disposed of in the garbage. These batteries can be taken to the **Monroe County HHW Facility** for recycling—760-7600 (option 3).

**NOTE:** For batteries bought before 1993, or if you have corroded or leaking batteries, make an appointment at the **HHW Facility** by calling 760-7600 (option 3).

## **BUSINESS (Hazardous) WASTE**

The **HHW Facility** will accept wastes from businesses if they meet Small Quantity Generator status. The Small Quantity Generator Program *Exempt Form #7* that explains the policy and procedures can be downloaded from the HHW pages of this web site. The form can also be mailed to you by calling 760-7600 (option 3).

# **CELLULAR PHONES**

Contact the company where purchased. HHW Facility will only accept the battery for recycling.

## **COMPUTER RECYCLING**

It is legal for residents to place old computer equipment at the curb for disposal. It is, however, illegal for businesses to dispose of these items in the regular trash. Businesses and residents interested in properly disposing of this equipment should call **Rochester Computer Recycling and Recovery** – 546-6620 or Maven Technologies – 548-2640. There is a \$15-\$30 charge (each computer) for residents.



## **CONFIDENTIAL PAPER**

Copy and computer paper with confidential information can be recycled after shredding. Businesses can call Metro Waste Paper (527-8110) for certified document destruction or a list of other companies can be found under the "Paper-Shredded" section of the Yellow Pages.

#### **FLUORESCENT LIGHT BALLASTS**

If discarded from a household, call 760-7600 (option 3) to set up an appointment for drop-off at the **Monroe County HHW Facility**.

## **FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS**

If discarded from a household, the bulbs may be placed in the regular trash. Businesses must contract with a hauling company for proper disposal. Please purchase fluorescent bulbs with green ends—they have no mercury in them.

## **FOOD WASTE PRODUCTS**

Certain inedible food waste (meat, fat, cooking oil, etc.) from restaurants or businesses can be recycled into products like animal feed. For information contact **Baker Commodities** at 482-1880 or to identify local farmers that may use this material contact the local **Cornell Cooperative Extension** at 461-1000. County residents may bring home-use cooking oil/fat to the county's household hazardous Waste Facility (760-7600 Option 3) for disposal—please do not dispose of it down the drain.

## **OIL-CONTAMINATED SOIL**

Contact the Health Department – Mark Leszcynski at 274-6052







## **OLD TIRES**

Call your refuse hauler, if they do not accept them, call:

Northside Salvage Yard – 954 Linden Ave., E. Rochester – 381-9667 (\$2 per tire on/off rim)

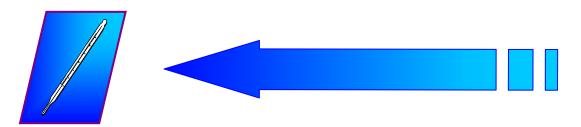
**Wilbert's –** 1272 Salt Rd., Webster – 872-1540 (\$2 per tire on or off rim)

Tire Trax – 558 Atlantic Ave. – 482-2940 – (\$1 per tire off rim/\$3 per tire on rim)

**Uneeda Tire Shop** – 180 Hudson Ave. – 546-3860 – (\$2 per tire off rim/\$5 on rim).

#### **MERCURY**

Mercury (from thermometers, thermostats, etc.) should be packaged in secondary containment (i.e. jug inside of pail) for transport and brought to the county's Industrial Waste section or the **HHW Facility** with or without appointment. Call 760-7600 (option 3) for details and directions. If you have a very large quantity of mercury (10 lbs. or more) please call HHW Coordinator Tom Sinclair at 760-7553.



## METAL TANKS (propane, fire extinguishers, helium, gas, fuel oil, etc.)

#### **PROPANE TANKS**

- 1-lb. tanks or twenty-pound tanks (full or empty) can be dropped off at the **Monroe County HHW** facility for disposal (no charge). Call 760-7600 (option #3) for appointment or contact:
- Suburban Propane 3325 Chili Ave., Chili Center 889-3770 (1 lb. and 20 lb. \$3.70 + tax).
- **Ballantyne RV –** 7447 Victor Pittsford Rd., Victor 924-9161 (20 lb. and 30 lb.)--\$10 fee to dispose—no fee to exchange.
- Harris Garden Centers 999 Jefferson Rd. 475-1985 or 3670 Buffalo Rd. 594-5610.
   (No tanks over 12 years old) No fee.
- Taylor Rental 205 North Ave., Webster 872-2770. Will take 20, 30, 40 and 100 lb. tanks. (\$2.50 disposal fee)
- Jackson Welding Supply 535 Buffalo Rd. 235-2920. Will take 20, 30, 40 and 100 lb. tanks (\$5.00 disposal fee)

#### FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

The **County's HHW Facility** will accept fire extinguishers, call 760-7600 (option 3).

# **HELIUM TANKS**

Helium tanks are accepted at the **HHW Facility**, call 760-7600 (option 3).

#### **HOME HEATING FUEL OIL TANKS**

Call **AAA Universal Heating** at 328-1423 if still on property and tank is full.

- \$285 they will pump the tank,
- \$385 pump, remove and dispose of it (an additional \$85 if the tank has to be cut out).

You can bring the old oil to the HHW Facility -- call HHW Coordinator Tom Sinclair 760-7553. Prices are effective as of 12/3/03. Prices subject to change.

# **MICROWAVE OVENS**

Residents may place microwave ovens out for trash collection.





## **PLASTIC CONTAINERS #3-7**

These containers should be placed in the regular trash. Because of their consistent quantities and long-term market stability, plastics (#1 & 2) have been a mainstay of the county plastic recycling program. Plastics (#3 to 7) have not been added to the recycling program for the following reasons:

- A consistent, reliable market is needed. This market has been historically unstable and, at times, non-existent.
- Education is crucial to the recycling program. The message must be consistent and not flux with the markets.
- A significant capital investment for processing equipment, justified by the revenue generated, would be needed.
- If not properly separated from HDPE (#2) and PET (#1), plastics 3 to 7 would become contaminants to our program mainstay. Many of these plastics are food contaminated and are not readily or economically cleaned.

For more information on plastics, call the American Plastics Council at 1-800-243-5790.

### **PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS**

Plastic grocery bags should be returned to the store for recycling. Please **DO NOT** put plastic bags in your recycling box. If you must use something, brown paper bags can be used to contain your paper items.

## SHARPS (syringes, lancets, etc.)

Sharps must be in an approved sharps container OR in a two-liter plastic pop container with cap taped on, and labeled "sharps" and may be brought to the county's Industrial Waste section or the **HHW Facility** with or without appointment. Call 760-7600 (option 3) for details and directions. You can get labels from the **Department of Environmental Services** by calling 760-7600. Additionally, area hospitals and medical treatment facilities accept sharps for proper disposal.



## **SMOKE DETECTORS**

Although some smoke detectors contain a small radioactive component, they may be placed in the regular trash. The manufacturer may also be contacted for recycling options.

#### OTHER RADIOACTIVE MATERIAL

Contact Monroe County Health Dept. 274-6052 – 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. (business hours only). After hours call Monroe County Health Dept. at 760-6500 or State Health Dept. at 423-8064 (24-hour number – 1-518-465-9720). Also call 911.

#### STYROFOAM PEANUT PACKAGING

Call your local **UPS Store** for reuse information.

## **WIRE COAT HANGERS**

Some dry cleaners will accept wire coat hangers for reuse.